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IT IS A GREAT SUCCESS

FINANCIAL BILL OPERATES TO VERY GOOD ADVANTAGE.

Strength of Cotton and Changes in the Iron and Steel Situation—Position of the Cereal Trade.

NEW YORK, March 23.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade to-morrow will say: In its first week of operation the new monetary bill has given satisfaction to the treasury and to banks. Applications for new 2 per cents have exceeded \$100,000,000, and the net increase in bank circulation already over \$100,000,000. As the rate at which new circulation can be issued is limited, except for banks which gave orders in advance of the passage of the bill, and the issues at first are largely for the increase of notes to the par value of bonds deposited, little can yet be inferred regarding the other increase, though applications indicate that it will be large for interior banks.

The reported settlement of the Carnegie-Erick controversy is one of the greatest importance to the iron and steel industry. A fight between such forces would in the end have affected prices and values be-

yond calculation, while the combination of interests now said to be agreed upon may prove revolutionary in its influence. Whether markets will be immediately affected is not clear. As yet the tendency toward reaction of prices continues, though in the Pittsburgh region bessemer and basic pig are strong. But Eastern bessemer and gray forge and Southern pig are sold there at prices below those governing in larger transaction, and it is only the demand for steel-making iron which appears to exceed the supply. Eastern markets are weaker, with reduction of \$1 per ton at Philadelphia. In some grades. Finished products are generally unchanged though sheets rise at Chicago with the coming combination, while plates sink lower at Pittsburgh and to the lowest points since April 5, 1899, at Philadelphia.

Cotton holds at 95c for spot, with heavy export demand, though futures are weaker. European stocks in sight, with mill stocks reported by Ellison, cover consumption at the rate he reports for a large part, but not for the whole of the crop year remaining, and the visible supply in this country being sold at terms which make the 45,000 bales exported this month worth more than 60,000 would have been worth a year ago, when only 24,000 went abroad in the same time.

The London wool sales have shown a shade more strength than those of last month, and considerable American purchases of some grades indicate the true position of prices asked here. Yet the markets here are called stronger in tone, although of the sales reported much the greater part were at concessions, and manufacturers are doing very little. Sales at the three chief markets were only 4,800,000 pounds, of which 3,715,000 were domestic. The state of the goods market does not seem to be called stronger in tone, although of the sales reported much the greater part were at concessions, and manufacturers are doing very little. Sales at the three chief markets were only 4,800,000 pounds, of which 3,715,000 were domestic.

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THREE MEN KILLED

EXPLOSION OF A SAWMILL BOILER

SIX MILES FROM MUNCIE.

One Man Is Not Expected to Survive His Injuries and Three Others Are Severely Wounded.

RAGAN EVIDENCE IS ALL IN

ARGUMENT IN THE MURDER TRIAL

WILL BE MADE MONDAY.

Howard County Farmers Form a

Trust—New Turn in Shelby's Muddle—Reception to Crumpacker.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MUNCIE, Ind., March 23.—The sawmill of James Nickum, six miles southwest of Muncie, was wrecked by the explosion of its boiler at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Three men were killed, one is not expected to live till morning, and three others were injured. The list follows:

—The Dead.—

THOMAS SULLIVAN, a farmer, forty-six years old, left a widow and five children.

CLIFFORD VAN BUSKIRK, brother of the engine driver, eighteen years old, decapitated.

MARION CAREY, farmer, left a widow and six children; half-pint brass cup buried in his skull.

—Expected to Die.—

ALONZO VAN BUSKIRK, engineer, has a wound on his head; skull crushed and both arms broken.

—Others Injured.—

JAMES DRAGSTRIM, sixty-eight years old, no family; shoulder crushed and arm broken.

JAMES MCNEARY, head cut, leg broken and suffered internal injuries.

WILLIAM MCNEARY, forty-four years old, head cut and leg broken.

The feed pump for the boiler broke while a full head of steam was on, and this caused the explosion. The engineer and proprietor had just discovered the trouble, and Nickum had gone to the blacksmith shop to have the necessary repairs made.

This saved his life, but the building in which he was working was blown to bits.

The engineer was the only man in the mill, the others being engaged at two wagons in the yard. The four horses were knocked down and two of them were stripped of harness, but none was injured. The boiler split in three places, which went in as many directions, falling 100 to 300 yards distant.

One piece knocked down a chimney on Nathan Adams' house, across the road, and bricks falling all around his three children, who were playing in the yard.

Business failures in the United States for the week ended March 23, as compared with 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 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